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1. In preface it should be noted that the following analysis is necessarily incomplete, as the undersigned did not have access to the original documents; nor has it been possible to debrief Mrs. OSWALD regarding some of the Soviet documents and other material contained in the FBI provided material. However, despite these shortcomings, the following analysis is offered in the hope that it may serve as guide for future debriefing of Mrs. OSWALD. It is my firm belief that such further debriefing of Mrs. OSWALD is necessary because of numerous mistakes in her Soviet documentation; suspicious gaps and discrepancies in her story regarding her life in the USSR; and some peculiarities in her correspondence with addressees in the USSR, which strongly suggest that some form of open code was employed between her and her correspondents in the USSR.

1. Prior to my analysis of Yes. to YIPD's Soviet documentation she should be asked how she received the patronymic Nikolayevna. Her biographic data indicates she was born out of wedlock. This is confirmed by her birth certificate in which the name of the father is not listed. This is customary Soviet practice for registration of bastard children. If she took the patronymic of her stepfather, her patronymic should be Aleksandrovna, after her stepfather's given name. In the Soviet police state, birth registration records are meticulously maintained.

Especially <sup>with</sup> regard to the patronymic of newborn children, <sup>because</sup> ~~as~~ this is a life-long indicator of the father of the child.

As is well known the derivation, profession, politics, etc. of the father frequently governs the future security clearance of Soviet citizens, their qualification to enter <sup>the Komsomol</sup> the USSR, their eligibility for being in government service etc.

From my own experience in the Soviet security services I

know that the Soviets will not register the name of the father if there has not been a formal marriage - even if the identity of the common-law father is known.

3. Birth Certificates - Actually three copies of Marina's birth certificates are furnished. ITEM #340 is a copy of her birth certificate issued on 19 July 1961, in Arkhangelsk. The other two birth certificates are contained in ITEMS 264-270. These are notarized copies of ITEM #340, notarized in MINSK. One of these later two birth certificates was <sup>required</sup> procured on 4 Aug. 1961 and the second was obtained on 8 Aug. 1961. Two different notarys notarized these two birth certificates - both obtained in Minsk within a four day period. By the handwriting it is obvious that the same person filled out the MINSK birth certificates - only the notarys' signatures

are different. Regarding all three birth certificates the following questions should be asked of Marina:

- What is*
- a) *(The origin of her NIKOLAYEVNA patronymic.*
  - b) What happened to the original of her birth certificate which she must have had in order to enter primary school, pharmacy school, and to get her passport when she reached the age of 16 - in 1957?<sup>2</sup> *to have a passport for her travel, etc.*
  - c) Why did she request a second copy, marked "POVTORNAYA", of her birth certificate ITEM #340 from ARKHANGELSK?
  - d) ITEM #340 was issued in Arkhangelsk about a 1000 kilometers from MINSK. Did she travel there personally to apply for her birth certificate? Did she write for it? Was it sent to her through the mail or did she pick it up at the Minsk militia headquarters?<sup>2</sup>
- What reason did she give the ARKHANGELSK militia

authorities for requesting the second copy of her birth certificate. Why was she applying for this birth certificate on 19 July 1961.

e) The ITEM #340 birth certificate is supposed to be an exact duplicate of the birth certificate issued after her birth. This normally is issued several days after birth because parents do not usually rush down to register the birth of a child on the day of the birth -

not even in the USSR. ITEM #340 shows that MARINA's

birth was registered on 14 Aug. 1941 and that she

was born on 17 July 1941. Marina applied for a

copy of this certificate on 19 July 1961. For some

reason the 9 in 19 July 1961, is marked over and is

an obvious change of the figure 4 to a 9 in the

following way ( ). An examination of the original

will better show if this was a marked over digit.

berate change. Such a change could only be signifi-

can't if it is not a bona-fide document; actually  
issued in ARKHANGELSK. Personal document conscious  
Soviets would note such an obvious change. Certainly  
if she applied for the two notarized copies of her  
birth certificate using ITEM #340 as a basis for  
these new copies she would be closely questioned  
and it is more than likely that notarized copies  
would not be issued on a marked over original. Now  
it might be possible that the first notary would  
not have noticed the marked over original. However,  
a second notarized birth certificate was issued in  
Minsk by still another notary.

4. Vaccination Certificate. (Included in ITWS 262-270)

In connection with discussion of Marina OSWALD's date of birth, it is worthwhile to note that this date is given as "17/7/62" on her vaccination certificate. This indicates that 17 July is the date she intended to use as a birthdate. The "common and natural error" of using the current year -- <sup>62</sup>1962 -- in the date, however, does nothing to dispel the confusion of the year of her birth.

a) Mrs. OSWALD might be asked about the procedure followed in accomplishing the vaccinations and in obtaining the certificates. It appears that at least four persons were involved in the completion of each certificate. 1. Marina signed her name to the certificate (see signed for June)

2. another person printed in the names and dates of birth (Possibly Lee also filled in these blanks



for Jane, but it was neither Lee nor Marina who

completed this portion of Marina's certificate);

3- the vaccinator ("ship's physician") dated

and certified the vaccinations; and

4- apparently still another person (possibly an

assistant to the physician) printed in the vacci-

nator's position and the type of vaccination given.

b) Mrs. OSWALD certainly should be asked how she

and Jane received vaccinations from the ship's

physician and certificates signed by the physician

and bearing a Dutch certification stamp on 15 and

16 May 1962, although they did not leave Moscow

until 1 June (on which date the OSWALD's signed a

provisionary note for the transportation loan).

It also would be interesting to know the reason

that Marina and her daughter were vaccinated on

different days.

*A partial explanation  
for the entries in  
the certificate  
can be found, but the explanation  
is not clear (see  
below).*

(TEU's 161-270). Examination of this document also raises some question concerning both biographic information supplied and that found neither in Marina's autobiography nor in the reports on interviews with her.

a) Marina -- already 13, according to her given date of birth, and with a pharmacist's training -- arrived in Minsk at the end of August 1950. Why was she not issued a voyevny billet until 22 September? Further, why was no registration stamp placed in the booklet until 28 October?

b) According to Lee OSWALD's diary, Marina was a Komsomol member. The military service booklet, however, shows that she was neither a Komsomol or CPSU member. What proper explanation can Marina offer for this?

c) In Section XII, "Special notes, (Osobyie Otmetchi) of this document, it is shown that Marina was given

notice to be ready for the military call-up;

The document also shows, however that on 4 August this notice was cancelled. One logical explanation for this might be that the cancellation was made when Marina informed the commissariat of her marriage. But Mrs. OSWALD should be asked about this, and her answer should be noted carefully.

d) Section X of this document shows that as noted above, Marina was registered in Minsk in Franzen-skiy Rayon on 23 October 1959, whence she was de-registered on 4 August 1961; on 9 August she was registered in Leninsky Rayon. Nowhere in Marina's autobiography, the report on the FBI's interviews of Marina or any other official papers belonging to the OSWALD's, is there any mention of the change of residence which allowed/required this change in registration. There is some discussion of the change

in Lee OSWALD's correspondence, with an indication

that their apartment in Franzensky Rayon was re-

occupied almost as soon as the OSWALD's left.

Mrs. Oswald must be asked about this move in detail.

Why did they move? What were the exact addresses?

Who were their neighbors? And so on. This move

is all the more interesting, not because it was

given so little attention in Mrs. Oswald's testi-

mony (it seems she has offered little detailed

coverage of any part of her life), but because

it took place in the middle of the period in

which the OSWALD's were arranging to return to the

U.S. According to Lee's diary for the period,

15 July to 20 August, the OSWALD's found that they

were required to have around twenty documents in

order to apply for an exit visa; they submitted

these documents on 20 August and learned that they

would have a three-and-a-half month wait before knowing whether or not they could leave the Soviet Union. Why did the DSEALD's make the move when they were planning to leave the USSR, according to the tone of Joe's letters, as soon as possible. In short, an especially thorough explanation of this love and critical period is an absolute necessity.

5. Work Booklet. (ITEM #346). It must be noted here that the copy of this document as supplied is incomplete; unless the remainder of this document has been withheld, it is necessary to know why Marina had only this portion of her Work Booklet.

- a) Another change in Marina's life which occurred within the 15 July - 10 August 1961 period is covered in this document; by an order, dated 15 July 1961, Marina was transferred, apparently

promoted, to the duties of assistant druggist at the hospital where she had been working since 1959. An investigation of the reasons for this change, particularly in light of other changes noted, is in order.

b. It seems from the copy supplied that all entries on page 2 and 3 were made not only by the same person, but - from the "flow" of the script - also at the same time. An examination of the original is required to determine if this is so.

7. Trade Union Picket. (Profsoyuznyy билет; included in ITEMS 161-276) There are a number of irregularities -- indicated in questions below -- in Marina's Profsoyuznyy билет for which, <sup>as yet</sup> ~~only~~ logical explanations might be found. They do not occur singly, however, and in view of the occurrence of similar and apparently related irregularities in her other documents they must be in-

examined as carefully as possible.

a) According to her trade union booklet, Marina (NEFUCHA) OLSHED became a member of the Trade Union of Medical Workers in 1953 (exact date not given). This same booklet, however, records her trade union dues payments beginning only in June 1959; further it shows that in 1959, she made only two payments (one, of 1 ruble; the second, of 50 kopecks). After July 1959, no payments are recorded until January 1960, in which year she made monthly payments until August. No later payments are shown. Aside from the question of irregularity of payments, we must ask how it was possible for Marina to have passed through the 1959 period without paying dues at all. It is not possible and therefore, Marina must have had at least one other trade union booklet during those three years.

It is alleged that Marina was issued her first

1) The booklet shows that Marina was registered at the Leningrad Pharmacy School on 15 November (no year shown) and was deregistered on 16 June (again, no year shown). It is believed that Marina was deregistered through the school near or upon the close of her graduation. No subsequent registration is noted. Why are the years in which these official acts took place not recorded? Why is her registration in Minsk not shown? It is obvious that she must have been registered there, having paid dues in 1938 and 1939.

2) The booklet shows that Marina was registered at the Leningrad Pharmacy School on 15 November (no year shown) and was deregistered on 16 June (again, no year shown). It is believed that Marina was deregistered through the school near or upon the close of her graduation. No subsequent registration is noted. Why are the years in which these official acts took place not recorded? Why is her registration in Minsk not shown? It is obvious that she must have been registered there, having paid dues in 1938 and 1939.

3) Marina's trade union booklet gives documentary basis for the very real questions of her date of birth, indicated in paragraph 3, "Birth Certificates", of the memo. In these questionable certificates of birth, where Marina's birth date either is given or is not given, in his document the year of birth is recorded as 1946. It is possible that an error in spelling or an error of a



few days might be made by an official issuing such a booklet, but it is impossible to believe that either Marina or the official routinely could err in recording her year of birth. It is probable that someone other than Marina filled in the information required for this document; then, either the issuing official or Marina deliberately lied in this instance. Why? Where, when and by whom was the basic information recorded?

8. Passport. (Vid na zhitel'stvo; ITEM #348).

Without the original of the document and supporting papers at hand, it is difficult to find documental grounds for a number of questions which might be asked of Mrs. OSWALD. In any case, however, her answers to the following inquiries concerning her passport will be of greatest importance and usefulness.

a) Why was Mrs. OSWALD given a passport made valid from 11 January 1961 to 11 January 1964?

It might be said, of course, that it was expected that she would no longer need the passport after the latter date because she was the wife of a U.S. citizen returning to the U.S. to stay.

According to her visa on page 17, on 24 May 1962 she was granted non quota (B-1) status for entry into the U.S. Then, why was the passport made

valid for 2 years, when she was expected -- according to her exit visa (see page 15 in the passport) - to depart <sup>from</sup> the USSR on or before 1 December 1962. Did she expect to return to visit her relatives? Within two years? On the as yet undetermined salary of a man unable to purchase a passage to the U.S. on the basis of his own resources? See also paragraph 9 a. below.

b) Why was Jane's name entered into both Marina's and Lee's passport, instead of just into Lee's?

c) Although the OSWALD's were given official permission to leave (see exit visa) only on 11 January 1962, Lee's diary notes that they knew of this on 5 January. How were they informed?

d) Marina's permit was made valid until 1 December 1962, but the diary notes that they had only 6 months in which to leave. Why? Although some explanations for this can be found, it seems best to question Mrs. OSWALD and let her give the explanations.

#### 9. Various Certificates. (ITEM #347).

a) Certificate of "Information on Persons Going Abroad (Svedeniya na ot' raz'kazyashchikh za granitsu)." The entries on the copy of this document as provided for Marina are completely illegible in spots con-

tain information which could bear significantly on questions raised concerning Mrs. OSWALD's passport and exit visa; this is particularly true of that portion bearing her statement of destination and proposed length of stay. It would be most interesting also to know what is written beneath the words, "private exit (chastoye vyvezd)", in her statement on the purpose of her travel. Why was no dog's date (data rozhdeniya) entered on this certificate? Why is the entry, "None (not in actual), given in the space for names and birthdates (years) of members of her family going abroad? Why did the person completing that portion of Marina's certificate requiring the date upon which her passport was submitted to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the number and date of the cover letter fail to fill in the above-mentioned information, after apparently starting to provide it?

b) Certificate of vaccination for June, issued by the Minsk First City Children's Hospital, May 18, 1962. This date does not correspond exactly to the date of vaccination (15 May) given in Jane OSWALD's <sup>\*</sup>International Certificate of Vaccination or Revaccination against Smallpox. In

copy the vaccination information from the hospital certificate into the official certificate required, it is most unlikely that such an error could be made under normal circumstances, particularly in view of the clarity with which "18 May" is written on the hospital certificate. See paragraph 11 a) below.

c) High school identification card for Lee OSWALD, dated 4 September 1958. There is nothing unusual about this card as shown in the copy given, except that it was among Marina's papers and that it, among all other types of papers possible, was saved and carried about by Lee OSWALD and among the OSWALD possessions from 4 September 1958 until the time of its seizure. Mrs. OSWALD should be questioned in connection with this also.

10. Pharmacy school diploma. (Included in ITAMS 109-114). All information required in completing Marina's pharmacy school diploma has been entered therein, with the exception of the year of her entry into the school. IN view of the care taken by the responsible official to see that each "a" (one,葡萄牙语, chouchila) was entered in the appropriate space, this omission can only be considered deliberate.

11. Two documents (Included in ITAMS 171 260). The first of these (see 11 a)) is of greater importance to our

examination at the moment, bearing as it does on the discussion of irregularities in the OSWALD shot records. The importance of the second is yet to be proven.

a) Certificate of revaccination (for Marina), issued by the Minsk (exact designation unclear in copy) Polyclinic No. 2, 18 May 1962. Again, (see paragraph 5 b) above), the date does not correspond exactly to the date of vaccination (16 May) given in Marina's International Certificate. Here also it is unlikely that an official certifying a vaccination given by someone else at an earlier date would have mistaken the date as given on the original certificate. Then if the certifying ship's physician merely accepted the OSWALD's word for the date of the vaccinations, why did he not so indicate in the International Certificates? How did it happen that he also accepted their word for Marina's revaccination, on a second (16 May) date? Why was he given a second date? Surely even if the OSWALD's had been unable to remember the exact date, they would have remembered that the vaccinations were accomplished on the same day. Then, why did Marina not return to her former place of employment (the Combined Third Clinical Hospital) for the vaccinations? Remembering that, according to the

original certificate, Marina and Jane actually were vaccinated on the same day, and that Jane was yet a baby, it is possible to believe that Marina had to take Jane to the children's hospital and then went to Polyclinic No. 12 because it was closer to that hospital. It is also possible that Marina was instructed to have the vaccinations done only at these places. But by whom and under what circumstances were these instructions issued? The other similar and seemingly related irregularities in Marina's documents mentioned above require that the answers to the questions posed and others indicated be clarified in the greatest detail.

b) Payroll voucher. Marina should be asked when and in what manner this item came into her possession and who entered the name -- OSWALD (OSWAL'D) -- upon it, by its appearance -- i.e. by the entry of her married name -- and in accordance with its purpose, unless it belonged to Lee, unlikely in view of his monthly salary, it should have been prepared some time between 30 April 1961 and 20 March 1962. In what condition is the original document? Why was this voucher and no other kept? Why was the bottom portion of the voucher not completed. It is not unusual for the two blanks at the top of the document are left blank; but, because with issuance, this

to become an official document with official purposes. It is required that the corollary of the information required be provided in the spaces indicated. This includes the full name. Therefore, because blank voucher forms are not readily available to the general public, Lee's and Marina's access to the issuing organization's accounting offices and all other aspects of her receipt of this voucher must be fully explained. Also, the figures and their arrangement on the form must be included among items to be subjected to cryptanalysis.

12. Marina's life in the USSR (autobiography, included in ITEN's 147-153; FBI Interview Record).

Let us proceed from this brief discussion of Mrs. OSWALD's documents, their irregularities and the questions posed, to an examination of her autobiography. The biographic information she provided -- and failed to provide -- in her interviews with the FBI and the apparent attitude with which they were provided. It must be noted in the very beginning that in many ways, aside from revealing still more irregularities, these raise still greater and more frustrating questions -- greater because they more strongly indicate falsification and warrant suspicion of their bearer, and more frustrating because it is still more difficult to prove this falsification and basis for suspicion.

a) 1. Marina's autobiography twice gives the year of her mother's death as 1957. Yet, it must be noted that in both cases, Marina first has written "1956", then has re-written the date to read "1957". When did her mother die? Is it reasonable that after so few years, and for such a critical point in her life, Marina would again make an error of a year (prior error in Marina's own year of birth)?

2. Passing over questions regarding Marina's father, the year of her birth and that on which she entered pharmacy school -- which were discussed in connection with her documents, we must look at Marina's list of relatives in the USSR. If this autobiography was prepared for the purpose of getting a visa to the US -- it was written in the USSR (see note on husband's place of work), was it necessary to list uncles and aunts? If so, why did she mention only the BERLOV's of Minsk and omit mention of the PRUSAKOV's, also of Minsk. Comparatively little contact between Marina and the BERLOV's while in the USSR, and none (no correspondence) since in the US.), is on record; while she did live with the PRUSAKOV's in Minsk and maintained contact with them by mail after she came to the US. (In the record of her interviews with the FBI, Marina apparently made no mention



of the BERLOV's). Are the BERLOV's, really? By coincidence it seems, her aunt -- Mariya Vasil'yevna BERLOVA -- was working in the Sanitation-Epidemiological Detachment (SEO) in Minsk. In what form were Marina's relations with the BERLOV's? What contacts did Lee OSWALD have with the BERLOV's during the "engagement" and after the marriage? Did the BERLOV's object to Marina's marriage? To Lee? To an American? When and why did the apparent break in relations take place?

5 What occasioned the preparation of this autobiography? Was it, as suggested above, to accompany an application for a visa? Was it to accompany a request for an exit permit? In any case, Marina -- a citizen of the USSR since birth, fully aware and thoroughly practiced in the realities of Soviet life -- certainly should know very well that such an autobiography as that she has offered would never be accepted even as a "brief autobiography", as final by Soviet authorities. <sup>also</sup> It is reasonable to assume that,

as a bona fide man-on-the-street Soviet, despite any surreptices from Lee or from embassy officials, she would think this true of U.S. authorities, too. There then, are all the basic details of her life -- names, dates, places -- he is hard-pressed to find this spotty presentation other than deliberate. To just know that she is lying is not enough, and why.

... (Interview with Marina). The ten pages of reportage ... interviews with Mrs. USGARD provide a summary source of ... for most of the questions posed in the foregoing paragraphs and raise many more.

(1) When Marina's mother married Aleksander Ivanovich ... why did he not adopt Marina officially and legally? According to the material at hand, Marina was not a very young child when her mother married ... Why did Marina continue to live with her grandparents for such a long time after the marriage?

(2) Why, after living so long with her grandmother did she then return to live with her mother and stepfather? Upon whose decision did she make the change?

(3) When and why -- before Marina went to live with them -- did her mother and stepfather move from Arkhangelsk to the Belorussian SSR? What was the stepfather doing there?

(4) What occasioned the family's move to Leningrad? Was Marina's stepfather transferred? Or did he change organizations? If he was transferred to Leningrad as a move within the same organization he must have had a very good position and reputation. Also, according to the interview record, the stepfather was a skilled electrical worker. Yet, judging by letters (postcards) which Marina received from her family -- if her stepfather signed these he is nearly illiterate.

(5) Note the corrections (two) in the autobiography made in regard to the year of Marina's mother's death possibly to coincide with her statement that her mother died during her second year in the Pharmacy Tekhnikum.

(6) Marina has stated that she worked in a central drug store on Nevskiy Prospekt during her last year in school. Under what circumstances did she go to work there? What were her duties? How (and how much) was she paid for this work? What other details (names of supervisors, fellow workers; hours of work, etc) can she provide about this job? How was this job terminated?

(7) What type (official designation) of pension did Marina and the other children receive? To whom (to the children directly, or to the stepfather) did the pension fall? How was it received? What was the amount of the pension?

(8) Marina said she took her meals away from home. Where? How was she able to do this? What was her total income?

(9) What did Marina dislike so much about her first job after graduation that made her quit after one day? It is one thing -- not common, but not unheard of -- not to appear for work at the place to

which a graduate may be assigned; but it is another thing to go to work and then quit after one day. Whether or not there exists a right to a 3-day trial period such as Marina mentioned, it is almost impossible for her to have quit and gone on vacation so easily. First, she would have been in trouble immediately with the Komsomol and her trade union. Second she has said that she spent little time in her stepfather's home, taking her meals outside, because of strained relations. Yet, there she stayed, apparently with no income - no pay and no more pensions, either from school or government. Then, how was she able to do this?

(10) Why did Marina go to work in Minsk? She has said that she lived with an aunt and uncle PRUSAKOV - her mother's brother and his wife. Marina has said nothing more in these interviews about the BERLOV's, whom she above mentioned in her autobiography (see paragraph 13 a (2) above). Marina should be asked about Lee's connections with both the PRUSAKOV's and the BERLOV's; particularly with the latter. Lee has mentioned other relatives in his diary and address book, but never the BERLOV's (in this case, the question should be addressed in just that way -- what was Lee's connection with the BERLOV's?).

(11) Marina's reasons for refusing to identify various figures from her past -- former boyfriends, acquaintances and even the woman who was her supervisor in the pharmaceutical warehouse - and for giving such vague answers to some questions regarding her background and her life with Lee must be ascertained. Her attitude and conduct in these interviews obviously is other than that which can properly be expected of the person she represents herself to be. Her testimony regarding her social life in Leningrad and Minsk prior to marriage is most suspicious. Her statements regarding the attitude of her aunt and uncle -- an MVD colonel or lieutenant colonel -- to Lee and to her marriage to an American, taken as part of her story of being "just a plain ordinary girl in love", are just unbelievable. Another example of this strange combination of refusal to give names and outright departure from the realities of Soviet life is to be found in Marina's story of her first meetings with Lee OSWALD...she refuses to name mutual acquaintances present at these meetings and tell of returning to her home with this American to whom she gives her phone number, the phone number of an MVD officer. And this MVD officer poses no objections to her later meetings, even marriage, with the American.

(12) Marina's explanation of the reason for calling Lee "Aliik" is quite unconvincing. Had their acquaintances really experienced some difficulty with the name, Lee, the obvious next choice would have been "Lev", or even "Aleksey", in preference to "Aliik". She should be questioned further about this.

(13) Other subjects which Marina obviously must know more than she has told include the reason for Lee's employment in Minsk, rather than Moscow, and the reason for the difference between Lee's high pay for his unskilled labor and her low salary. With regard to the latter, even if the only reason was just as Lee himself presented it -- he received a subsidy grant through the Red Cross -- with no other considerations to be made, certainly Marina would have known of this, and, unless there were something sensitive about the subject, should not be reluctant to discuss it. Yet, her testimony would indicate she knows little or nothing of these things. Why?

(14) Why does it seem she also knows so little of her husband's nature? "Marina remarked that...he did not...discuss politics with her or, to her knowledge with any other associates. (See page 10.)" It is not remarkable that an ordinary man-on-the-street American would not discuss politics to a noticeable extent. But

how many US Marines read The Daily Worker, express pro-Soviet and pro-Communist views, defend Fidel Castro, study the Russian language and prepare to renounce their citizenship and go to the USSR? How many return to the US to proclaim their Marxist views and hand out pro-Castro pamphlets on street corners? And to assassinate the President of the US? And how many such men, usually, most outstanding for their vociferation, are able to keep noticeably silent on political subjects even before their wives, while spending two or three years in their "political homeland"? Marina must be questioned closely about these things, just as she must be questioned closely in order to identify these "other associates" with whom Lee OSWALD did not discuss politics.

(15) Mrs. OSWALD must be asked about her trip to KHAR'KOV of which we would know nothing were it not for the small collection of letters written to her during her stay there. Why did she make no mention of this trip, yet talk freely of her vacation trips to Leningrad, etc? What was the purpose of the trip? What other details, (length, place of residence, etc.) can she offer about it?

13. In brief, as indicated in the foregoing, it is the belief of the undersigned, based on the materials made

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available. That Marina OSWALD must be re-examined, thoroughly and at considerable length, by able experts and means available in order to clarify her story and her role in the actions of her husband following their return to the US.

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17 January 1964

ATTACHMENT A

To Memorandum, submitted 14 January 1964, on the biography and documents of OSWALD, Marina Nikolayevna (nee PRUSAKOVA).

1. The following is presented as an expansion upon comments and questions presented in the original memorandum (see above) and in response to specific requests from Agency personnel.

2. As noted and commented upon briefly in the original memo (see para 1), there are "suspicious gaps and discrepancies in her (Marina's) story regarding her life in the USSR." Not the least of these are connected with her <sup>account of</sup> travels in the Soviet Union (see 12.a. & 3.b.(2)-(4), (10) and (15)); <sup>special</sup> attention should be given Marina's trips to Khar'kov and to Moscow to join her husband (the latter not covered in the original memo).

a. ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ "e would know nothing of Marina's trip to Khar'kov were it not for the small collection of letters written to her during her stay there. <sup>in diary entry (Sub-D. P. 11) and</sup> Although ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ she has spoken in some detail of other trips -- vacation trips, -- to Leningrad, to Minsk (from Leningrad), she has not even mentioned this trip. Both the reason for this and the details of the trip itself must be examined. ~~When~~ When, why and how did she go? With whom did she travel? How lengthy were her preparations for the trip (days? weeks?)? Who knew of her travel plans? Did Lee see her off on the trip? How long did she stay in Khar'kov; when ~~and~~, how and with whom did she return? Who met her upon her return? Who knew of her plans to return? It appears that she stayed with the MIKHAYLOV family in Khar'kov. Did they expect her? How much time did she spend with them while in Khar'kov? What did the MIKHAYLOVs say about her marriage to an American?

(1) Although not of special importance of itself alone, a letter

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from Lee (dated 2 October 1961) which she received while in Khar'kov indicates that she was worrying about losing her husband: "I don't ~~MMMM~~ like that you are saying that you feel that you are losing me. You never will lose me. That's that!" Marina should be asked about her relations with her husband during that period; was this the influence behind her trip to Khar'kov? Was the decision to make the trip hers alone? Or did she discuss it in advance of the decision? In short, we must investigate the details of this trip as thoroughly as possible.

b. No less attention, but from a different angle, should be given her trip to Moscow, ~~MMMMMM~~ 9-14 July 1961, to join her husband. As noted in Lee OSWALD's diary for that period, he had gone to Moscow "(without police permission)" to inquire about the return of his US passport and to "make arrangements for my wife to enter the U. S. with me." On 9 July he called Marina to join him in Moscow; on 14 July they returned to Minsk together. On 15 July, according to the diary, "Marina at work, is shocked to find out they everyone knows she entered the U. S. embassy...." Did Marina also go to Moscow without police permission? Did she not know that the US embassy is undersurveillance? ~~MMMM~~ We must ask, what ~~MMMMMM~~ Soviet citizen does not know that clearance with the police is required for such travel? What Soviet citizen is not aware of the Soviet government's attitude ~~mmmm~~ and conduct toward foreigners in general and Americans in particular? The diary continues: "The (blank) hold a meeting and give her a strong browbeating. The first of many indoctrinations." And how did this half-wise, half-naive American know at the time that this would be "the first of many indoctrinations?" What did the OSWALDs do in Moscow when not at the embassy? Whom did they see? Where did they go? Can Marina account for the whole of the time spent there?

Her ability to account for all of her time and activities ~~has been~~ satisfactorily ~~accounted for~~ with regard to both trips -- to Khar'kov and to Moscow -- is ~~questioned~~ seriously questioned by the undersigned.

3. Serious questions also attach to her refusal to name certain figures from her past, as commented upon in the original memorandum; she not only has not named former boyfriends (which refusal, taken alone, might be understood or explained satisfactorily), but has refused to identify one of her work supervisors. What explanation can Marina offer for this? What further explanations can she give for her failure to name one set of relatives in one account of her life and another set in a second account? ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ biographic and other information and We must proceed from these questions to ask her to provide/details of her relationships in connection with the many persons identified, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ many by first name alone, in the OSWALD correspondence. Full biographic and other identifying information on all of her relatives must be requested. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ As much of the same type of information as is normally possible must be requested for: DZHUGANYAN, I. Ya.; Inessa; Erik? Ernst?) LARIONOVA, L. N.; TITOVETS (what is his real last name -- TITOV, TITOVETS?), Erik\*; KHONTULEVA, Galina Petrovna\*; GOLOVACHOV, Pavel\*; DMOVSKAYA, Ol'ga Petrovna; Inna; Pavlik (Ltr-ITEM 137); the ZIGERS; author of ltr-item 138; Rita; GEL'FAND; ZHLEBO; Petrovna (item 140); SMOL, TOMA (both in SHISHKOVA, Zhanna (153) item 140 also) or Tol'ya; SHASHKOVA, Dzhanna\*; Andrey (#143); Olya, Kolya and Yulya (#148), Dzhumai; Lyuba, Mella (151); SOBOLEVA, E. I.; Ninulya, Nadya, ZAYTSEVA, Tolya, Misha, Slavik, Zhenya and BOLTENKO, Anya (all in 155); ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ KLIMASHEVSKAYA, Lyudmila (Lyudka); RINGOLD; Tanya and Vera; Eleonorya and Anita; Aleksandr (ZIGER?); Aunt Anya; the ZIGERS\*; ~~XXXX~~ and Lilya; the ANDRIYANOVs\*; the MEDVED'YEVs\*/TARUSINA\*. All of these persons were either authors of letters to the OSWALDs or were mentioned in those letters (those whose names are marked with an asterisk must receive special attention).

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the same information ~~should~~ must be requested for  
In addition, ~~submit~~ all persons whose names are mentioned in Lee's diary and  
address books.

4. In many instances, the correspondence itself -- in which these names  
are mentioned -- reveals cause for suspicion, as noted in the original memo  
(see para 1), and thereby casts still further suspicion on the bearer of those  
names. As noted, this correspondence includes some letters "which strongly  
(Marina)  
suggest that some form of open code was employed between her/and her  
correspondents in the USSR." Following are some examples:

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